IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract with the substitute Abstract attached hereto.

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment the title, specification and abstract are amended. Prompt and favorable examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten paragraph (37 C.F.R. 1.121(b)(iii)).

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APPENDIX

Changes to Title:

IMAGE GENERATING SYSTEM AND ~~INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM~~

<u>PROGRAM</u>

Changes to Specification:

The following are marked-up versions of the amended paragraphs:

The present invention relates to an image generating system and ~~information storage medium.~~ <u>program</u>.

An object of the present invention is therefore to provide an image generating system and ~~information storage medium~~ <u>program</u> which can generate an image of objects variable in their states depending on an impacted position, in real-time with less amount of data and reduced load in computation.

Changes to the Abstract:

There are provided an image generating system and ~~information storage medium~~ <u>program</u> which can generate an image of an object variable in its state depending on an impacted position, in real-time with less amount of data and reduced load in computation. The image generating system generates an image of an aggregate object formed by a plurality of part objects. The image generating system comprises: an object determination section (120) which determines part objects within a predetermined area in the aggregate object as objects to be changed in display form when an impact is applied to the aggregate object and the impacted position is included within the predetermined area; and an image generation section (160) which changes at least one of shape, color, position, rotation angle, direction, moving direction and moving speed of the part objects determined as objects to be changed and generates an image. The aggregate object may be formed by assembling a plurality of part objects having different shapes without any gaps. The image of the aggregate object may be

generated as an image of a single object before the impact is applied thereto and as an image

of an aggregate object after the impact.